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RUMORS AFLOAT

That Kuropatkin Has Been Badly Defeated

JAP WAR OFFICE NON-COMMITTAL

An Unconfirmed Report Says Port Arthur Has Fallen

St. Petersburg, June 27th.—Despatches received here from Lai Tche Kiao indicate that both the Russian and Japanese armies are moving into contact for a great battle, which even now may be in progress. Gen. Kuropatkin yesterday assumed the offensive against Gen. Oku, while Gen. Kuroki, from a position 14 miles to the eastward, was moving against the Russian flank at Hai Cheng.

ADAMIRAL TOGO REPORTS

Tokio, June 26th.—Delayed in transmission.—Admiral Togo's detailed report of his effective attempt on Port Arthur last Thursday night reached here to-day.

The report confirms the reported destruction of the Russian battleship of the Peresviet type, the disabling of a battleship of the Sevastopol class, and a protected cruiser resembling the Diana, and the injuring of a torpedo destroyer, but there was no light on the Russian plans.

The entire Russian fleet steamed out in line of battle suddenly within fourteen thousand metres from the Japanese fleet. The Russian fleet refused to give battle and steamed back to an anchorage outside the harbor, where during the night the Japanese destroyers and torpedo boats made eight desperate attacks upon them. The Russian vessels reentered the harbor on Friday since which time they have failed to reappear.

The Russian fleet stood southeastward and then southwest. During this time Admiral Togo concealed his first squadron south of Gagan rock. As the Russians approached, Admiral Togo assembled his fleet and prepared to attack them. At 6:15 p.m. the Russians were in plain sight, eight miles northwest of Gagan rock. The Czarovitch and the nine others followed in a single line. The Novik and seven destroyers were placed at the right of the line. Admiral Togo waited with battle flags flying from all the tops of the Japanese fleet's formation representing the first letter of the Japanese alphabet. At 7:50 p.m. the Russians headed for the Japanese and Admiral Togo veered slightly to the right in order to bring pressure against the head of the Russian formation. At 8 the Russians changed their course and headed northward. Admiral Togo followed in single line, ordering the destroyers and torpedo boats to prepare for attack after sundown.

CONVERGING ON KUROPATKIN.

St. Petersburg, June 28th.—Lieut. Gen. Sukharoff's despatch received to-night confirms the belief that a great and probably the decisive battle of the campaign between Gen. Kuropatkin's main army and the armies of Generals Oku and Kuroki is imminent. The three armies, probably, aggregate three hundred thousand men and the outposts are to-day in touch all along the line. The Japanese evidently tried to draw Kuropatkin as far south as possible holding out as an incentive the possibility of offering a check to the advance of Oku's main army. Meanwhile Oku swung sharply to the eastward to join Kuroki at the Changan Pass. Kuroki at the same time moved forward to join Kuroki at the right flank toward Hai Cheng. This main advance along the main Feng Wang Cheng, Liao Yang road, avoiding the Mao Tien Pass by a detour to the northward. The advance in all points is being attended by constant skirmishing.

RUMOR THAT PORT ARTHUR HAS FALLEN

Chefoo, June 27th.—An unconfirmed report reached here to-day that the Japanese have captured Port Arthur.

JAP WAR OFFICE NON-COMMITTAL

Tokio, June 27th.—It is reported on the streets here today that the Japanese have taken Hai Cheng after a desperate and bloody battle and that the Russian army has been so badly beaten that it cannot possibly take the offensive until next spring at the earliest. The war office will neither confirm nor deny the report but admit that heavy fighting has been going on about Hai Cheng.

It is believed by army men here that General Kuropatkin with a considerable portion of his army has been completely hemmed in by Generals Kuroki and Oku, and news is confidently expressed of his capture before many days have elapsed. The war office has not given out any news of importance from the front officially.

CLOSING NOTICE

We, the undersigned merchants, agree to the following program as to closing the three days of the fair as being most convenient to both the staffs and customers.

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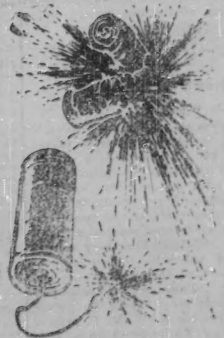
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Haight About It

CORRESPONDENCE

Editor Bulletin:—Would you kindly give space in your valuable paper for the following grievances of the people of Spruce Grove.

The electors of Spruce Grove would like to remind the government of the Northwest Territories of the great mistake and injustice done by the cancellation of the old established Statute Labor Districts and the institution in their stead of what they call councils. If the government had consulted the people in regard to boundaries, that is where natural boundaries exist: I think it would be far more satisfactory to all concerned and it would look as if the government wished to work in accord with the people wherever it could be done with best results. However, this was not done and it looks as if the representatives at Regina took a pencil and dotted a map on the wall, and said, Here are the districts, no matter whether the interests in one part would conflict with that of another and retard the general advancement of the same, as in the one which I am about to refer to. I will here try to give an example. Take Belmont district, which lies about 7 or 8 miles N.E. of Edmonton, to which has been added 6 miles west of Edmonton where the people of Belmont perhaps do not travel once in five years, and in which part they are not very likely to be much interested in spending a great deal of money, whereas the people of Spruce Grove and Stony Plain have to travel this road every time they go to Edmonton, their only market. This piece of road, which is known as the swamp, is about three miles in length and requires improvement much more than any other between Spruce Grove and Edmonton. The government might say they spent considerable on this part already, and there is no doubt but they have; but there is one way of spending judiciously and another of throwing money away, the same as was done where the piles were driven in that ditch last winter. There was a petition signed by a large majority of the electors of Spruce Grove and forwarded to the Commissioner of Public Works at Regina, asking that the government include the part above named in Spruce Grove district; but whether this has arrived at its destination or is still travelling, we have not heard, and I am informed the electors of Belmont have petitioned the government to withdraw the part in question from their district. However, there is no heed paid to our petitions, and the time will soon be past to do work that would be of a permanent benefit to the road. Hoping we will hear something of the lost soon, I am,

Yours truly,

AN ELECTOR.

News from the Fort

From the Reporter:

The news that Inspector Demers, N. W.M.P., is to be transferred to the Yukon, has occasioned many expressions of regret by the many people with whom the inspector has had either public or private dealings. His never failing courtesy and good humor have made him popular with all classes. We wish him every success. Driscoll and Saunders have been engaged part of this week laying out a road allowance from the foot of Government street along the river flat across the N. W. M. P. reserve up to T. J. Carsenden's farm. They have also laid out the road allowance between sections 28, 29, 56, 22, near Moret's brick yard, so it can be improved and made passable for teams. A party of surveyors was busily engaged on Government street yesterday. Immediately all sorts of rumors were circulated. Some asserted it was the C. T. P. line, others the C. N. R., others the Edmonton Street Railway extension, and others the new telephone line. On enquiring of a reliable person, however, the Reporter learns the line is for the projected ditch to drain Sullivan's slough.

SEED OATS.

To clear out balance on hand our Board have instructed Messrs. Potter & McLaughlin and the Dowling Milling Company to sacrifice and sell at

60c. per Bushel

instead of 75c.

F. FRASER TIMS,
Secretary Treasurer,

Edmonton Board of Trade

4-130-47

GOOD CATCHES OF FUR

P. Loutit and son came in from Fort Chipewyan yesterday. They let Chipewyan on June 4th, waiting at Fort McMurray for the Hudson's Bay steamer.

Mrs. Colla Fraser and son are on the road out, also Emile "Shot," who was at the Landing Saturday.

Mr. Gordon will be down probably next week from Chipewyan.

The fur catch last winter was good and all the traders are bringing in a good quality.

The water in the Athabasca last week was remarkably low.

G. McLachlin, in charge of Hyslop & Nacio's boats, was at McMurray when Messrs. Loutit came through.

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d-148-149-a

Notice of Dissolution

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned as undertakers in the town of Edmonton, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, all debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to John A. Appleby at Edmonton aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said John A. Appleby, by whom the same may be settled.

Dated at Edmonton, Alberta, this eleventh day of June, A.D. 1904.

J. A. APPLEBY,
R. W. ARMSTRONG.

Witness: Wm. Short.
d-137-4f

Notice.

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D-137-4f

Disolution of Partnership

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Armstrong Bros., livymen, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

All accounts owing the late firm are payable to Walter M. Armstrong and all accounts owing by the said firm will be paid by him.

Dated at Edmonton, June 11, 1904.

WALTER M. ARMSTRONG,
EDMOND J. ARMSTRONG,
EDGAR W. ARMSTRONG.

d-136-4f

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BODY FOUND

IN STRATHCONA R R YARDS

Galician Laborer Supposed to Have Fallen to His Death—Inquest Today

Strathcona had a sensation this morning when the dead body of a Galician laborer, named Mikola Wascheln was found near the "Jumbo" car on the C.P.R. siding.

For several days a train has been engaged unloading the C. & E. road in the neighborhood of Strathcona, running into the Strathcona siding at night to clear the line. A double decker living car was attached for the accommodation of the crew, a large number of whom were Galicians.

Yesterday was pay day on the train and when the crew reached Strathcona last evening they started out to celebrate the occasion.

The story of the comrades of the unfortunate man is that he left them about 10 o'clock in the evening and when they returned to the car they found him asleep. He was not intoxicated when he left the party.

When the men awoke this morning Wascheln was not in his berth and on investigation his body was found on the track beneath the door which is in the end of the car.

On the forehead was a deep cut, penetrating the skull and which had apparently caused his death. The face was covered with blood. This is all the marks reported to have been found on the body.

The wound is described as such as would probably be caused by falling head foremost from the door of the upper deck, where the berths are, to the ground, and striking a rail or tie. No marks were found on either rails or ties to indicate whether this was the story of the tragedy or not.

The case furnished ground for an investigation as to whether foul play had been done, but in the pockets of the deceased were found \$24, the bal-

ance of his wages, so that if foul play were committed the motive was apparently not robbery.

Dr. Crang, coroner, held an inquest this forenoon.

BASEBALL

Edmonton and Strathcona play ball on the exhibition grounds tonight. The game will probably be interesting and a large turn-out is expected.

Strathcona juniors defeated the local juniors on Strathcona grounds on Saturday.

Prairie Schooner Coming

The Great Falls Leader says: "The majority of the people who are moving to Canada from the Northwest this year are transporting their effects in their own conveyances," said Canadian Government Agent H. Davies the other day. "Formerly the railroads did most of the freighting, but this season the man in the prairie schooner travelling northward is more in evidence than ever before."

Mr. Davies says that on an average seventy-five people are sent by him into the Northwest Territories every week and have been for some time. Comparatively few of these are from Montana, or at least the northern portion of Montana. The greater portion seem to be coming out of the sagebrush and cactus of Wyoming and Idaho, while Colorado and Utah are contributing a good share of the immigrants. Two men, who had come overland from Mitchell, Neb., were here yesterday, on their way to Alberta. They had one team and wagon and an extra saddle horse, a complete camping and cooking outfit, including tent and blankets. A Millegan man is now at Cascade, having just started out with his family overland for the Canadian country.

According to Mr. Davies, the immigrants are finding it cheaper to travel by wagon with their stock and household goods than by rail. They usually go up by train and look over the country, deciding upon a location, and then return and start out in covered wagons. The charge for a carload from Great Falls to Lethbridge is \$39.00. If a man is taking ten head of stock in the car the company gives him transportation for one free. If it is household goods or machinery that he is shipping, there are no free fares given.

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WANTED

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WANTED.

A teacher for the Beaumont School, District No. 741. Applicants must be able to teach French and English and holding either 1st or 2nd class certificate. Apply to Secy. Beaumont School District, Beaumont, Alberta. D-145-168-c

WANTED.

An experienced teamster. Apply to Petter and McDougall. d-148-147

WANTED.

Girls wanted. About 1st or 10th of July, dining room girl, \$15 per month; chambermaid, \$12 a month. Apply J. G. Harkness, Leland hotel, Leduc. d-143-47

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TO LET.

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TO LET.

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LOST OR STRAYED

LOST.

Small gold bracelet and locket found on the street has been left at the Bulletin office for the owner to claim. d-47

STRAYED.

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TELEGRAPHIC

OBSTRUCTION

THE ORDER OF THE DAY

A Corporal's Guard of the Opposition Holds Up the House. Edmonton Street Railway Bill Passed

Bulletin Special Dispatch.
Ottawa, Ont., June 28.—The House was in committee of the whole on the past office estimates. At 11.30 p.m. only eight members of the opposition were present. They are keeping up obstruction, not having allowed any items to pass. The Edmonton Street Railway Bill has passed the House and gone to the Senate.

TEMPERANCE ACT

SENATE PASSED AMENDMENTS

Magistrates May Impose the Penalty of Hard Labor for Second Offence

Ottawa, June 28th.—After a debate the Senate yesterday gave a second reading to the bill to amend the Canada Temperance Act. The bill gives a magistrate power to impose the penalty of hard labor on conviction of second offence.
The Scott Act at present carries a penalty of imprisonment without hard labor, for second offence. The vote stood 26 to 8.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

IN BRIEF PARAGRAPHS

Condensed Dispatches Dealing With the Day's Most Important Happenings.

Bulletin Special Dispatches.

Americans Must Go

Fifteen Grand Trunk Pacific American employees will likely be deported.

Man Disappeared

The mysterious disappearance of Kent J. Loomis is still unsolved.

FAIR NOTES

Edmonton's big fair opens Thursday morning at ten o'clock.

Entries positively close tomorrow and none will be received the following day. During the past few days the entries have been piling in more rapidly than ever. Three men have been employed since yesterday morning receiving and registering them. Evidence of the widening range of interest in the fair are the facts that the entries are more than double those of last year, that the local entries alone are more than double the total of last year, that the increases are general and affect all departments of the exhibition, and that this year several entries have been made by parties in various parts of Ontario who have exhibits on the road to compete here.

Calgary Herald: The race horses quartered at Calgary will go to Edmonton on Monday. The fine weather and the good condition of the track has kept the stables here up to the last minute. Much interest has been manifested by the citizens in the workouts of the flyers. Yesterday a large crowd saw the blind horse Glidaway and Chic McGregor go a mile.

The horsemen in town meet in W. H. Coopers office this afternoon to appoint starters, time keepers, etc., for the racing events.

Cut Prices On Good Harness

Commencing June 27th and Continuing to July 2nd we will give a

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Our marked prices on any harness in our establishment. 10 per cent. on harness is a deep cut; take advantage of it and buy during Fair week. We are carrying a line of Turf Goods, Quarter Boots, Knee Boots, Toe Weights etc. for the racing fraternity. Take a glance in our show window, we are displaying an array of Valises, Suit Cases and Travelling requisites which are not equaled west of Toronto.

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LORD DUNDONALD'S STATEMENT

His Objection is to the Government's Policy More Than to Its Administration

Lord Dundonald has given out his statement regarding his recent actions. The statement is as follows:

Considering it desirable that I should lay before the people of Canada a statement of my opinion with reference to the difficulty between myself and the government of Canada, I may say:

I was fully aware of the gravity of the step which I took in making a public protest. I was fully aware that it was an unusual step. I decided to take it because I was convinced that it was the only means of serving the militia of Canada.

I have for two years been general officer commanding the militia. I have worked hard to improve the force, to devise a scheme of reorganization, to create and organize numerous departments, and to revise the system of training. I have sedulously avoided taking any part or interest in Canadian politics.

In all of my work I have endeavored to keep steadily in view the nature of my post. I have not sought to impose my policy upon the minister or upon the cabinet. I have sought to carry out the plans approved by the government. In the technical administration of the force I held that I should be given a fairly free hand. At the same time I was careful to ascertain and consider the views of all persons interested. I claimed a smaller measure of freedom than is accorded to the general managers of important commercial companies. To make a railway pay it is necessary to leave detail matters of administration largely to the expert official in charge of the system. The managing of a military force is expert work, and the safety of the country is surely as important as the success of a railway. My claim for freedom extended only to the technical side of my work. I had no desire to force my policy upon the ministry.

In my efforts I was constantly hampered by interference with that particular part of my work. This interference began very soon after my arrival. It has continued incessantly ever since. Mr. Fisher's interest in the affairs of the 11th Scottish Light Dragoons was simply the final incident in a long list of various phases of obstruction.

My only reason for remaining in my post was to benefit the militia of Canada, but my efforts were so persistently blocked that I came to look upon the case as a hopeless one. I was forced to reflect very seriously upon what I could do to effect my object—the improvement of the militia.

I came to me that, imperfect as is the training, great as is the lack of armament, numerous as are the faults of detail, there lies behind all these evils a far greater evil—the indifference of the men who govern the country to the welfare of the force. It seemed to me that the best way to help the militia of Canada was to let daylight into the working of the system.

I realized, however, that the new militia bill would soon be discussed in parliament, and that it was my duty to give a warning of certain dangers before it was too late.

I might have lodged an official protest with the government. I cannot see that this would have been of any avail. It would have been simply one more document in a pigeon hole.

A course offering many attractions, was to resign and issue a public statement giving my reasons. So far as I personally was concerned it would have been by far the easier and more pleasant course. The objection was that by so doing I would give neither the government nor the people of Canada any real opportunity to pass judgment upon the matter brought to their attention. My protest would have been made, it is true, but not in a manner that would have attracted attention to the evil.

It seemed better to make a public protest, and to leave with the government the option of heeding it, or of upholding the system which is destructive to the efficiency of the national defence.

I was in this frame of mind when Mr. Fisher's interference with the 11th Scottish Light Dragoons came to a head. It precipitated my resolution to speak out, no matter what the consequences.

I may now pass from the general aspect of the matter to a few particular instances, where not I but Canada has suffered from autocratic and

unusual interference with the machinery which I was supposed to control.

One extremely serious case of interference was the suppression of the important parts of my first annual report on the militia. After studying the situation with great care, I came to certain conclusions, and thought out certain plans. For convenience of reference I divided my report for the year 1902 into two halves. Part I was a simple diary of events. Part 2 contained my description of the condition of the militia, and an outline of a comprehensive scheme for reorganizing the force upon lines suitable to the country. This part was fully intended by me for publication. It contained nothing that could be described as a military secret. It covered matter such as is constantly made public in Great Britain and the United States. In my judgment it was information as to the actual condition and possibilities of the militia which it was desirable for the people of Canada to know.

This part of the report Sir Frederick Borden suppressed against my protest. In the house of commons at various times he described this part of the report as "private," "confidential," and "secret." It was marked neither "private," "confidential," nor "secret." When the minister made these statements he had been explicitly informed by me that I desired its publication. He went so far on one occasion as to compare the report to the secret report on Canadian defence. With that report my report had no analogy.

When I presented my report for 1903, Sir Frederick Borden told me that certain portions were too strong, and might embarrass him. I modified it, and again sent it in. Without further reference to me he struck out whole pages and superfluous paragraphs, all of which I had intended should be made public. Among the portions eliminated were references to the condition of the permanent corps—which I pronounced in many respects unsatisfactory.

Last year, for instance, the permanent corps, with an establishment of 295, were 207 under strength. The two small instructional battalions at Kingston were practically reduced to one. The dissatisfaction in the permanent corps, and its urgent require-

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LORD DUNDONALD'S STATEMENT

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ments, had been pointed out by me upon the minister ever since I came to the country.

A more recent instance occurred in connection with the organization of the ordnance corps. The establishment of this corps was fixed at a colonel, a second in command—with the rank of lieutenant-colonel—and three lieutenant-colonels. This was a larger establishment than I would have recommended had I been unhampered; but Sir Frederick Borden was anxious to have a number of senior and highly paid posts, and the scheme which he desired was carried out.

Soon after this I went to the Northwest. As soon as I had left Ottawa the minister of militia ordered the adjutant-general to prepare an order increasing the number of lieutenant-colonels to five, thus giving seven officers of the rank of lieutenant-colonel and upwards to a corps of about 400 men. In this connection it must be remembered that the most elementary requirements of the militia were neglected for want of money.

The case of Col. Gregory of the 2nd Dragoons has been placed before the public. The excellent work done by him during his command showed itself in the fine state into which he had brought his regiment. I was anxious, for the sake of the regiment, for reasons into which I need not go, to extend his command for another year. Recently Major Glasgow was gazetted second in command. Immediately afterwards the minister of militia sent me a short minute to say that he did not desire Col. Gregory's command extended for another year. This was a most unusual procedure for a minister to adopt, as it was entirely within the scope of my duty to recommend to Sir Frederick Borden what I considered best in the interest of the 2nd Dragoons, from a military point of view. The action taken by him was certainly not conducive to the interests of the regiment.

It is perhaps necessary to say how difficult it is to get qualified officers for the militia. This difficulty was accentuated in the comparatively small area of the Eastern Townships where the number of cavalry officers had been increased from 26 to 32, and the number of squadrons from 4 to 20 since May, 1903. The only possible way to get the new corps officer was to get local support and trust the opinion of the commanding officer entrusted with the duty of raising the regiment.

The whole details of the interference with the officers entrusted by me with the duty of organizing the 13th Scottish Light Dragoons have already been made public.

That Mr. Fisher's motives were political he himself admitted in his second speech in the house of commons on June 10th. This admission I may observe was singularly at variance with his earlier speech on the same day. In that speech, which was a prepared statement, he distinctly stated that his objections to Dr. Pickett were of a military nature, and that his interference was not due to political motives.

I may also note the peculiar coincidence by which Mr. Fisher was acting minister of militia on the very day on which this case came up. I do not remember any previous instance of his acting for the minister of militia. The case of the 13th Scottish Light Dragoons was pending. On the 18th of May the minister struck out from the Gazette the list of names submitted to him by me on the ground that further consideration was needed. On the very next day that further consideration was given by the military man whom Sir Frederick Borden knew to be pressing to have the Gazette altered in the direction of his own wish. The effect of Sir Frederick Borden's unusual step in asking Mr. Fisher to act for him was to make the strong opponent of Dr. Pickett the arbiter by whose decision the council would be guided.

It has been stated that my proper course on the matter coming up before parliament was to send a statement of facts to the minister of militia, and not to an opposition member of parliament.

Although statements condemning my course were being prepared to be read in the house, I received no intimation from Sir Frederick Borden that this was being done, and an invitation to prepare a memorandum setting forth the facts as far as I know them. All that I received from Sir Frederick Borden was a request to know whether a paragraph in a newspaper represented what I had said in Montreal.

Had I volunteered such a statement I had no assurance that the minister of militia would read it to the house. On the other hand, Col. Hughes, M. P., a brother officer and a member of the headquarters staff, asked me for information on the sub-

ject. I do not think that I did wrong in complying. But for my doing so, a one-sided version would have gone uncorrected to the country which half an hour afterwards was universally seen to be untrue. I took pains to place a copy of my memorandum in the hands of Sir Frederick Borden by the same messenger who gave it to Col. Hughes.

These few instances which I have quoted are sufficient to show how my reports have been suppressed or manipulated, how my hands have been crippled in my endeavors to promote the efficiency of the militia.

Having dealt with matters appertaining to my administrative duties, I desire here to place on record the fact that in my opinion much injury has been caused the militia by want of sympathy with its improvement.

A well instance here the educational scheme for the promotion of officers and non-commissioned officers. One has but to turn to the pages in the militia list to see the vast number of names of officers who are professionally unqualified. The training-ground necessary to qualify these officers on a scheme prepared by me and approved of by council could have been provided for a comparatively trifling sum of money. An adequate artillery range is urgently required. A recommendation by me that local camps be provided suitable to modern conditions of war training was struck out of my second annual report, though it is notorious to every thinking militia officer that several of these camps are urgently required.

There being no central camp this year, I applied on May 22 to be permitted to hold this September two short courses of instruction, accompanied by staff rides, for a limited number of field officers. This I hoped would in some slight measure qualify urgent cases requiring promotion. My recommendation was rejected by Sir Frederick Borden, no reason being given.

One of my plans for the improvement of the militia has been the issue of large illustrated placards for their instruction. Recently I desired to bring these up to date, according to the latest ideas. Though I had got the new plates and letter-press ready for the printers, my application to have them printed was returned, endorsed, "Postponed." No reasons accompanied the ruling.

It may be a matter of indifference to some whether the militia lacks guns, rifles, ammunition, equipment and all that is necessary to make a fighting force efficient. It may be a matter of indifference to some whether the great material left in a defenceless state and without a gun, with patriotic offers to organize urgently needed corps ignored. Above all it may be a matter of indifference to some whether other considerations besides military considerations influence the choice and advancement of the military leaders of the people. But as I am now free to speak more openly on matters, I have often referred to in public, I desire here emphatically to warn the people of Canada that though they may be indebted for the integrity of their territory, and indeed, their national existence, to the forbearance of others, they are, as regards their preparation for war and their state of readiness to resist aggression, living in a fool's paradise.

I take leave of the Canadian militia with great regret.

My relations with the officers and men of the force have been exceedingly pleasant.

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As matters have turned out, I can only hope that my protest may have some weight in assuaging the unfair restrictions under which they labor. The circumstances of my dismissal make it impossible for me to issue a formal order. I can bid them good-bye only in this informal manner.

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